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**Letter dated 3 August 2016 from the Permanent Representative of
Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

Upon the instructions of my Government, I am transmitting herewith for your attention the press release of the Ministry of Defence of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic dated 31 July 2016 on the situation on the line of contact between the Nagorno Karabakh Republic and the Republic of Azerbaijan (see annex).

I kindly request that the present letter and its annex be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 34, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) **Zohrab Mnatsakanyan**
Ambassador
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Annex to the letter dated 3 August 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Press release

Situation on the line of contact

In the early hours of 31 July, the Azerbaijani army violated the ceasefire on the line of contact between the armed forces of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic and Azerbaijan 46 times, firing over 600 shots towards the positions of the Defence Army of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic from firearms of different calibres.

As a result of the ceasefire violation, on 31 July at 00.40 a.m., serviceman Hovhannes Gasparyan, born in 1997, was wounded in one of the military units of the Defence Army of the Nagorno Karabakh Republic located in the southern direction.

31 July 2016
